

Amendments to the specification:

On page 2, before line 1, please insert the following:

CROSS-REFERENCE

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in DE 102 51 567.0, filed November 6, 2002. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d).